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PROVISIONAL ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to Restriction Requirement set forth in the March 07, 2006 Office Action, Applicants provisionally elect Group I (claims 1-4, 6-20, 24-39, 83 and 85 in part, and claims 40-56, 76-82, and 86 in full). Claims 69-75 are designated as linking claims and were not listed in either Group 1 or Group 2. Since these claims are generic to both groups of claims, Applications assume that Claims 69-75 will be examined with claims of Group 1.

This provisional election is made without traverse.

In response to the species election requirement set forth in the Office Action, Applicants hereby provisionally elect the following species for prosecution on the merits:

“polymeric diagnostic moieties” as recited in claim 1. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1-4, 6-20, 24-56, 69-83, 85 and 86;

“K-RAS” as a particular species of “PNA” as recited in claim 33. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1-4, 6-20, 24-56, 69-83, 85 and 86.

“a peptide” as a particular species of “a targeting moiety” as recited in claim 34. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1-4, 6-20, 24-34, 37-56, 69-83, 85 and 86;

“a chelant” is selected as recited in claim 26. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1, 4, 13, 26, 27, 44, 69, 78, 79, and 83-87;

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"DOTA" as a particular species of "a chelant" as recited in claim 27. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1, 27, 44, 69, 78, 79, and 83-87;

"a metal ion" is selected as recited in claim 13. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1, 4, 13-19, 26, 27, 44 46, 69, 78, 79, and 83-87;

"Gd(III)" as a particular species of "a metal ion" as recited in claim 16. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1, 4, 13-16, 26, 27, 44 46, 69, 78, 79, and 83-87;

"dendrimer" is selected as recited in claim 8. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1, 8-10, 12, 26, 27, 43, 70, 77, and 83-87;

"PAMAM" as a particular species of "dendrimer" as recited in claim 10. Claims readable thereupon include claims 1, 8-10, 12, 26, 27, 43, 70, 77, and 83-87;

This provisional election is made without traverse. Presently, claims 1 is generic with respect to the species election.

Applicants reserve their rights under 35 USC § 121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected claims.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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